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SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1900.

SOME CONGRESSIONAL IDIOCY. In the kindergarten exercises that daily take place in the American Congress Mr. Cowherd, of Missouri, made the fol-

lowing speech on Wednesday last: Mr. Chairman, there was a time when we boasted not of the money we could make, not that yonder flag carried trade in its wake, but that it carried liberty. To-day its proud boast is that trade fol-

lows the flag.
Mr. Chairman, I hope the day will Mr. Chairman, I hope the day will never come when any man can rise in any land and point to yonder banner as a commercial asset. (Applause.) I trust, sir, that something will survive of the days when that banner floated above Washington and his barefooted, bloody patriots at Valley Forus; I trust something will still live of the spirit that animated those who upheld that banner when they stood with stubborn old Andrew Jackson at New Orleans.

And, Mr. Chairman, if the day ever comes when that banner is nothing but

comes when that banner is nothing bu comes when that defined asset, then, sir, every stripe of white upon its folds should be dyed in the blood of the men who were killed and conquered, and from yonder ground of blue you should take every star that represents an independent State.

It would be dignifying these ravings to apply to them the English soldiers' characterization of anything foolish that it is "Tommy rot."

Mr. Cowherd's text will be at once recognized as Mr. Cecil Rhodes' expressions at Kimberley when the meeting was held to celebrate the relief of the place, and in his speech Mr. Rhodes said that her Majesty's flag was the greatest commercial asset in the world.

This gives Mr. Cowherd canniption fits, and means nothing to his mind but a sordid suggestion that commerce and fraudulent trading and consequent degradation are synonymous.

Argument with a man of this sort is time and breath thrown away. But a newspaper which has independence enough to do its own thinking may be pardoned for asking where has her Majesty's flag gone, promoting and encouraging commerce, that the Christian religion does not prosper? Where does her Majesty's flag fly that justice is not impartially administered and trade is not free to all? The very essence of a the that represents liberty and justice is that trading and a free intercourse that enables every man to seek for his own advancement follow wherever it goes. Some one has happily remarked that Christianity and civilization follow in the track of the English bullet, and the man who can east his eye over the face of the globe and fail to perceive the absolute truth of this statement may commend himself to his fellow-men as a blind man but will still be rated by intelligent men as a man of little sense And why may not the American flag still have something of the day surviv ing in it when it floated over Washington and his barefooted, bloody patriots at Valley Forge, even if it is pointed at as a the other Powers of the world to leave China with an "open door" to all nations shall the steamers that bring back under it Chinese tea given in exchange for our cotton and petroleum be thought to be dishonored by the ensigns that floats from its peak? If the Nicaragua Canal bears upon its bosom the galleons of the world transmitting the surplus products of the Atlantic to the Pacific in exchange for the surplus products of the Pacific, shall this world's highway be thought a plague-infested ditch because the American flag, that promotes and protects

commerce, floats over it?
Utterances like those of Mr. Cowherd are so foolish that we can hardly treat them seriously.

OUR NATIONAL CREDIT.

The Atlanta Journal says that the credit of the United States is better than the credit of England, because United States 2 per cent. bonds brought a bigger premium than English 3 per cent, con-

fact. The credit of the United States is undoubtedly Al, but the reason why our 2 per cent, bonds have been commanding such a premium is because there has been a brisk demand for them from the national banks of the country to be used by the banks as a basis of circulation. Without such demand these bonds would have sold as 2 per cent, bonds have sold for some time past, at a little above par. Walt until the brisk demand for these bonds is over; wait until the national banks have supplied themselves, and the price will drop. That is wherein the new currency system is defective. So long as the government permits no securides save United States bonds to be employed by the banks as a basis of circulation, just so long will it be difficult for the banks to make their circulation pay. Whenever there is an abnormal demand for currency, then bonds will be high but as soon as the demand is over and the banks desire to retire their notes and sell their bonds, then the price of bonds will drop.

DR. A. G. BROWN.

The Methodist Church sustains a seriou loss in the death of Rev. Dr. Alexander G. Brown. He was not only an able preacher and a devout Methodist, but he vas a consecrated financier, and his practical knowledge of affairs and his good business judgment were of great value to the Church, in which for so many years he was a faithful and efficient steward. As secretary of the "Joint Board of Finance" of the Virginia Conference, he virtually transacted the financial business of the Conference, and his services were invaluable.

The same system and painstaking and fidelity that characterized Dr. Brown's business life were made the rule of conduct in his religious life, and when death knocked at his door, it found his house in order.

"Blessed are those servants whom the Lord, when He cometh, shall find watch-

AN X-RAY.

Representative Ray, of New York, chair man of the House Committee on Judiciary and also at the head of a special sub-committee on trusts, has introduced in the House, as reported in our news columns yesterday, a resolution providing for an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which shall give to Congress the "power to regulate and suppress monopolles and combinations; to create and dissolve corporations and dispose of their property; to make all laws necessary and proper to the exercise of the foregoing powers." It is further provided that "such powers may be exercised by the several States in any manner not in conflict with the laws of the United States."

It is amusing that this Republican congressman from New York is stealing some of Mr. William J. Bryan's thunder The Times has frequently said that it would be a contest between the national Republican party and the national Democratic party as to which could most vigorously denounce trusts, and it would appear from the foregoing that the Republicans are losing no time in beginning their campaign. Quite a while ago Mr. Bryan suggested the Ray plan as the true and only remedy for trusts, but he has done nothing more than to give the Republicans a cue, which they have been smart enough to use.

The Washington Post says that the Republicans do not propose to enact any legislation on this subject. Their pregramme is simply to pass upon an amendment to the Constitution giving Congress power to deal with trusts. This amendment will have to be referred to the legislatures of the various States, It will take the whole question out of Congress, but when the campaign is being fought next fall the' Republicans will point to this action as evidence of their desire to control trusts. They will say that Congress has done its duty, and that future action rests with the States.

This is very sharp politics. We felt sure that the Republicans would take a pronounced position against trusts, but we did not know just how they would manage to do this and still keep on good terms with the big corporations of the country. Mr. Ray has solved the problem. Hereafter the Republicans should confer upon him the title of X-Ray, for he has shed the light of political science upon a dark and difficult problem.

LABOR AND MACHINERY.

Hon. Carroll D. Wright, United States Commissioner of Labor, has an instructive article in Gunston's Magazine for March on "Hand and Machine Labor," in which he introduces figures that are somewhat startling. He makes a great many comparisons, showing how machinery has facilitated work and saved the labor of human beings, but we have room for one general statement only. He says that in 1890 the total horse power for all the manufactories of the United States was, in round numbers, 6.000.000, or the equivalent of the labor of 36,000,000 men, while only 4,476,884 persons were employed, the supplementary labor having a ratio equivalent to eight to one. "Horse power used in manufacturing equivalent to 36,000,000 men," he goes on, "represents a population of 180,000,000; in other words, if the products of the manufacturing establishments alone of the United States in 1890 had been secured by the old hand methods, without the aid of power machinery, it would have required a population of 180,000,000, with none left for agriculture, trade, transportation, mining, forestry, the professions or any other occupa-

It is a strange thing, but it is never-

theless true, that almost every invention of man to lighten man's labor has been resisted by the masses, and it has usually been prophesied in connection with such inventions that they would result in throwing thousands of laborers out of employment and would be a curse instead of a blessing. This is absurd on its face. That which tends to lighten burdens and reduce the cost of productions must logically be a blessing, and that is the case with every such invention. Labor-saving machinery has premium than English 3 per cent, conlargely increased the demand for labor
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MONTVALE, March 16.—Special.—Dr.
McChesney, of Jarratt's, saw a notice in
The Times of the want of a physician at
this place, and has decided to locate have.

nan many things which in former times only the rich could afford. Mr. Wright eloquently says that "machinery has established or brought into atcivity neva principles in statute law; has wrought many changes in the common taw doctrine; has transformed transportation; has increased the opportunities to enjoy art and literature; has lessened the frequency and the possibilities of famines; has increased longevity my making life safer and more comfortable; has extended marvelously the power of production and consequently of consumption; has made the world cosmopolitan, upsetting old ideas and old customs; has lifted struggling humanity to a higher plane and stimulated a higher intelligence."

The world will not be undone by invention and progress. As the world grows older the people learn better and better how to live. One by one the great problems of existence are being solved and there is no step backward. Perfect society is the perfection of or ganization, and our organized efforts are

paching nearer and nearer each a state of perfection. There are those who cry out against organization as there were those who cried out against labor-saving machinery, but as labor-saving machinery was not cried down, so intelligent organization will not be cried down. Mistakes have been made and mistakes will be made, but by degrees we shall learn how; by degrees organization will be made perfect,

CURRENT TOPICS.

The Newcastle (Va.) Record says: "From the trend of a number of bills, either passed or offered during the session of the Legislature just closed, one would think our law-makers had very little confidence in the honesty of the county officers of the State. Things are in a bad way when men have to be appointed by the Legislature to see that the county officer does his duty."

Isn't that queer? The editor of the New. castle Record is not the only man who thinks that it is an insult to talk about having an inspector look into the accounts of Virginia officials. It is all right for of virginia officials, it is an right to railroad employes to have their accounts examined from time to time by a travelling auditor, but it would be an outrage to apply that system in the management of the State's affairs. Well, we Virginians have got some queer nations.

Some inquiry has been made at this office of late as to the cost of the war with Spain and our subsequent war in the Philippines. The New York World says that Mr. Henry Loomis Nelson has given the most exhaustive statement and that his figures are drawn from official reports and estimates to which he gave careful and conscientious attention.

"Mr. Nelson finds," says the World, "the cost of the war with Spain to have been \$259,341,299; of the war in the Pailippines \$64,617,267 in 1899 and a prospective cost of \$169,885,304 for the current year—a total of \$42,844,550. The increased cost of the arrange of seal. the army and navy for the present fiscai the army and havy for the present lisest year over 1897, due to our policy of military 'expansion,' will be \$100,885,634. And with the pensions on account of these wars still to come, the total expenditures of the government have increased from \$265,744,160 in 1897 to \$005,072,180 in 1899—or from \$5.01 per capita of the population to \$7.97 per capita." \$7.97 per capita.'

The Times was opposed to the war with Spain, but we have no sort of doubt that as a commercial proposition the war will prove to be a most profitable investment.

AFTERMATH.

The Hon. E. H. R. Green, chairman of the Texas Republican Executive Committee, and a son of Mrs. Hetty Green, of New York city, is said to be the choice of the Republican leaders of Texas for Vice-President on the National Republican ticket.

At the commencement exercises of Shaw University, at Raleigh, N. C., one of the leading negro colleges in this country, President Meserve, in delivering diplomas advised the negroes to keep out of poli-ties. He declared that the negro had ac-complished two things in politics—"one the passage of the Jim Crow car act; the other his disfranchisement.

On the news-stands of Chicago are to be found cheek by jowl copies of Saphho and of Editor Sheldon's Topeka Capital.

The State Department in Washington advised that the Russian Government is about to invite bids for two hundred powerful locomotives and several thousand freight cars. It is believed that there is an excellent prospect of a big share of the order coming to the United States.

General Cronje's property near Potchefstroom consists of more than six thousand acres. The farm-house is a one-story building, and is furnished with the utmost building, and is furnished with the utmost simplicity. Its owner is essentially a sportsman and a lover of open air life. He dislikes city life, and for that reason has persistently declined to become a candidate for the Transvaal Presidency—an office the holding of which involves the necessity of living in Pretoria.

Dr. Samuel Hayes Pennington, the oldest living graduate of Princeton College and a member of the Board of Trustees of the institution, died in Newark on Wednesday last of apoplexy. He was born in that town in 1805, and took his degree of A. B. from Princeton in 1825.

They are now saying that the streets of Denver are paved with gold. Several days ago Mark Watson, one of the "fortyniners," said to a New York man that the miners," said to a New York man that the gravel thrown up from the excavation for a sewer was "good placer dirt." He then offered to bet the New Yorker that he could find fifty cents out of that dirt in an hour. He washed seven pans of the dirt in an hour absorbing the dust with mercury. An assayer tested the amalgum and placed its value at 62 cents.

It is reported from Atlanta that assurances have been given to Col. William L. Scrubbs, of that city, that he may have the civil governorship of Porto Rico. He was appointed United States minister to Colombia by President Grant, serving in various South American missions con-tinually until sent to Venezuela by President Harrison, and retired from office under President Cleveland.

The young African chief Inga-ka-Fura

Coonteie, who went to England some weeks ago with Dr. Carl Peters, will reweeks ago with Dr. Carl Feters, will re-turn to his home, in Macombe's country, in the heart of mid-Africa, at the end of March. Coontete, who is about thirty years of age, is in the direct line of suc-cession, one brother only standing be-tween himself and the rulership of a country of from 120,000 to 150,000 inhabi-

A Doctor in the Nick of Time.

He sold his farm of sixty acres, and dwelling, containing nine rooms, to Mr. Pedneau, a real estate agent, at Jarratt's, Sussex county, for \$1,500 cash. His stock and furniture sold at high figures of the All December 10. on the 14th. Dr. McChesney has been rid-ing day and night stince his arrival here. There is a great deal of sickness in the community. Grip is prevailing, and, in the past month, it is estimated that there has been three hundred cases of the mumps; in many cases medical attend-ance was required. Dr. McChesney has rented Dr. Luck's cottage, until he can ance was required. Dr. McChesney has rented Dr. Luck's cottage, until he can purchase a suitable residence.

THE TIMES: RICHMOND, VA. SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1900.

LOCAL OPTION FOR LEXINGTON.

Verdict Rendered in a Damage Suit

Burglars Arrested. LEXINGTON, VA., March 16.—Special. An enthusiastic meeting was held yesterday afternoon in the court-house by the day afternoon in the court-house by the friends and sympathizers of local option. Stirring speeches were made. The neeting was entirely representative, all class, a being present. The following comm trees were appointed for active work: Chmpaign Committee, Mr. John A. Champ, ohairman; Finance Committee, Capt. W. F. Pierson, chairman; Literature Committee, Dr. Jas. Lewis Howe, chairman. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Jas. Lewis Howe, of Washington and Lee University, with Mr. Elijah Funkhouser, as secretary. The election will take place the 29th of this month. The friends of local option are hopeful of a

take place the 25th of this month. The friends of local option are hopeful of a large majority. An election will also be held in Watker's Creek District.

The store-room of T. T. Dickinson, at Buena Vista, was broken into at night, and watches, pistols, cothing, and other articles were carried off. The burglars were arrested at Stuart's Draft, and proved to be two colored boys from Campbell County. They are supposed to be the same parties who have of late committed other robberies at Buena Vista. In the suit, tried here in the Circuit Court, of George Drawbond vs. the Phoenix Bridge Company, of Pennsylvania, the jury rendered a verdet lorger broken.

Phoenix Bridge Company, of Pennsylvania, the jury rendered a verdict for \$900. The plaintiff had his leg breken while in the employment of the company, and sued for \$1,800.

At the Baptist parsonage in Buena Vista, by Rev. P. A. Anthony. Mr. B. D. Rowsey and Miss Lizzie Hickman were married at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The bride is the second daughbor of Mr. Andrew Hickman, one of the ploneer settlers of Buena Vista. The groom is connected with the Southern Clay Product Company, of Buena Vista.

NEW KENT COURT.

Negroes Fond of Notoriety-Galety No Longer Tempts New Kenters.

NEW KENT C. H., VA., March 15.-Special.-As court continued for two days last week the hotel was overcrowded with last week the hotel was overcrowded with guests. The trial of Sam Crump, colored, for shooting his companion, has continued through two terms of court, and has been continued till next term. This shooting affair has brought several negroes into notice, and all the darkies consider it quite a picnic, and are very much puffed up at being brought to public notice. A negro loves notoriety. How much more effective a whophins-nost nuch more effective a whipping-pos-yould be. All this is a great cost to th

county.

There are seven indictments of similar nature for next term of court.

The child of Mr. Emmett Richardson has been quite ill with peritonitis and has had the attention of several Richmond doctors. It is now improving. There is only one practicing physician in New Kent county. Kent county.

Fishing in the Pamunkey has begun in

earnest. Some of the farmers are forward in their farming operations in spite of the continued wet weather, Mr. Newton Harris went to Richmond

Mr. Newton Harris went to Richmond to stend the civil service examination. Mr. Robbie Taylor, son of Mrs. J. B. Vaiden, has been on a week's visit to his mother, of this place.
Several years ago the village of New Kent C. H. was a little Paris in galety. To be a frequenter of the court-house was an admission that one was the Davil's own. Now the people have adapted themselves to a strictly primitive life. A hosan admission that one was the Devil's own. Now the people have adapted themselves to a strictly primitive life. A hostess sent out invitations lately to a private dance and received excuses to the following effect: That one had married a wife and could not come; that another had caught a beau, and as he was not included in the invitation she must needs refuse for fear of losing the beau; and other excuses of similar nature. So the dance did not come off for lack of guests.

guests.
Five brides made their first appearance at Good Hope church last Sunday.

DR. TEMPLE STILL LIVES.

People in Mr. Riddick's Neighborhood Auxious to Know Cause of Shooting. LAWRENCEVILLE, VA., March 16 .-Special .- Dr. Temple was living to-day when last heard from. He is a man of good nerve and a strong constitution, so his friends still hope for his recover; but the doctors say the odds are greatly

ngainst him. Rev. J. E. R. Ridick is less nervous than he was when he was first lodged in jail. He always inquires of the jailer as to the condition of Dr. Temple. He is as comfortable as he can be made under the dreumstances and spends his time reading, singing and praying. His meals are furnished from the hotel and he has a good appetite. Several ministers have visited Mr. Rid-

dick in jail, but he refuses to talk to any one as to the real cause of the shooting, but claims he will prove himself justified at the trial.

at the trial.

The people residing in the neighborhood of the tragedy condemn the action of Mr. Riddick, and are anxious to know why he does not speak out and give the real nature of the alleged insult.

Dr. rlugh M. Taylor was called to the pedside of Dr. Temple again this morning. BRODNAX, VA., March 16.—Special.— Dr. Temple was resting more comfortably at last account. His condition grew worse at 5 o'clock this morning, but he soon rallied. Dr. Taylor is expected on the 1 o'clock train to-night.

POSTOFFICE BURGLAR.

Sentenced in Two Cases and the Balance Suspended.

LYNCHBURG, VA., March 16.-Special. Fred Anderson, of Elmira, N. Y., was tried in the United States Court here today on the charge of breaking into post-offices in Charlotte, Rockingham, Pulaski, Montgomery, Augusta and Botetourt counties. He was sentenced to three years in two

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FRESH GOSSIP FROM GOTHAM

Tammany Likely to Have a Tough Fight on Its Hands.

ROCKEFELLER GETS \$5,000,000

Death of a Christian Endeavor Dog. Theodore Tilton's Lawyer Passes Away-Society Girl Enters a Convent.

NEW YORK, March 16.-Special,-From NEW YORK, March 18.—Special.—From a moral point of view the crusade against vice in this city may not amount to much, but it will undoubtedly hurt the Democratic party, locally speaking. The Mazet investigation, the Ramapo deal, the wrecking of the Third-Avenue Rall-road, and Comptroller Coler's attack on the Tempany officials, who he says, have the Tammany officials, who, he says, have the Tammany officials, who, he says, have been looting the City Treasury under form of law, will all have the effect to arouse a strong opposition to Tammany. Tammany is no worse than the Platt crowd, but as Tammany is in, all the reformers will join the Republicans in trying to put Tammany out, and so the Democrats will have a tough fight on their hands in the next election.

\$20,000,000 IN DIVIDENDS. It has already been stated that the Standard Oil Company yesterday pald out standard Oil Company yesterday pald out \$20,000,000 in dividends. There are 3,000 shareholders, and the dividends ranged in amount from the \$20 cl. holder of a single share of the stock to that of nearly \$5,000,000 given to Mr. John I). Rockefeller for his share. Incorporated at \$10,000,000 originally, the

capital stock was increased in 1892 to \$110,000,000, of which \$100,000,000 is common stock and \$10,000,000 is non-cumula-tive 5 per cent. preferred stock. All of the latter issue is still in the treasury

of the company.
Six years ago Standard Oil commo A few days before the transfer book sed for the dividend on February 15th lisst \$347 a share was paid for it, showing an increase in the market value within six years of \$320,000,000. Of the 2,000 stackholders less than a

dozen insiders own 80 per cent, of the stock and control absolutely the work-ings of the company. RECALLS BEECHER TRIAL

Ex-Judge Fullerton died yesterday a the advanced age of eighty-three years In his day he was one of New York's most brilliant lawyers. He and Judge Beach were the leading attorneys for Theodore Tilton in the famous Tilton-Theodore Tilton in the famous Tilton-Beecher trial, and for several days Judge Fullerton subjected Mr. Beecher to the most searching cross-examination which the witness ever underwent. Nearly all the persons prominent in the Tilton-Mr. Beecher thal have now passed away.

Mr. Beecher has been dead for fourteen years. Afr. Tilton is living obscurely in Paris. Mrs. Tilton died several years ago. Moulton, "the mutual friend," is dead. Beach and Fullerton, the chief atterneys for Tilton are no longer living. torneys for Tilton, are no longer living William M. Evarts, who was Beecher' foremost lawyer, is still living, but is in complete retirement. Ex-Judge Porter, of Beecher's counsel, is dead. The only person active in the trial who is still taking an active part in affairs is Thos. G. Shearman, Beecher's friend and personal extraper.

sonal attorney.
Police Commissioner York's only daughter, Miss Grace York, intends to enter St. Joseph's Convent at Flushing, with the view of becoming a nun. She recently

reached her majority. CANINE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORER. One of the morning papers announces the death of Dolly, "the only canine Christian Endeavorer." Dolly was a fine St. Bernard dog, and belonged to the Rev. Wilbur Fiske Wood, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Stapleton, S. I. She died suddenly after all the is. I. She died suddenly after all the "vets" in the neighborhood had tried to relieve her. The family was inconsolable. The bell to the parsonage was muffled, and in answer to callers a tearful maid uppeared at the door and broke the sad tidings of Dolly's death. The next day after the dog died the body was viewed by screwing triends. Dolly next day after the dog died the body was viewed by sorrowing friends. Dolly was seven years of age, and had regularly occupied the front pew at church, and had endeared herself to the congregation. For years she regularly attended the meetings of the Christian Endeavorers, paid her dues, and responded to her the control of the period of the chart of the name at roll-call by a low bark. Some of the members, however, objected to Dolly's membership, and the result was a row and Dolly's resignation. Dolly's accomplishments were many.

She collected the mail regularly, pre-ferred to die rather than be known as a Spaniard, and in every sense of the word was a member of Mr. Wood's family brought up with his children, and one in their joy and sorrows.
CHURCH WITHOUT MUSIC.

CHURCH WITHOUT MUSIC.
The late George R. McKenzie, the millionaire president of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, during his lifetime built a church in Jersey City for the use of the Scottish-Presbyterian congregation, but stipulated in his deed of gift that no musical instrument should ever be put musical instrument should ever be put into the church. He believed that the into the church. He believed that the preaching of the gospel should be Sufficient in itself to attract people to services without the aid of any side attractions. The society, however, was unable to got along with such a dull service, and has now decided to abandon the struggle and transfer the property to the Jersey City Presbytery for a nominal sum, with a view to legal proceedings to have the deed modified so that an organ may be used in the services of the church.

SENT TO SECRETARY OF WAR.

Colonel Cutshaw Submits a Map of Richmond Harbor.

City Engineer W. E. Cutshaw on yester-day mailed to Secretary of War Elfin Rot, at Washington, plans and maps showing the desired inprovement to be made to Richmond harbor and the en-largement of the channel, in order that the river may not be blockaded with ves-sels and creft that ply to and fro from sels and craft that ply to and fro from day to day.

Mr. Root has assured the city officials,

Mr. Root has assured the city oliciais, as well as the Virginia representatives in Congress, of his hearty support in the movement to get an appropriation from Congress to improve the harbor and channel here, and it is very likely that the \$100,000 asked for will be given without nuch more delay.

much more delay.

It is thought that the Rivers and Harbors Committee, which is to visit here rext Friday and take a trip down James River, will fight for a separate appropriation for the improvement of the river.

MOTHER'S PATHETIC APPEAL.

Pleads With Postmaster to Find Miss

ing Child.

Postmaster Wray T. Knight has received a letter from Mrs. Sarah E. Laws. Fulton, N. Y., requesting him to make an effort to locate her daughter, who has been missing from ho ne since last November. She was last seen in Washington. The fact that she was a paper-finisher led her mother to believe she may have

come to Richmond seeking work in one of the paper mills.

The letter of inquiry is peculiarly pathe-thic. In it the mother expresses the hope that her child has "gone home over the

river, but if she is alive she says she

SERVICES AT MONUMENTAL.

Conducted by Dr. Barr Last Night-Dr

Guerrant Coming.

Rev. Dr. W. A. Barr preached his third sermon on "The Elements of Christian Manhood" at Monumental church at 8:30 o'clock, last night. The usual large attendance was present, and much interest in his remarks was manifested.

The mural maintings in the chancel

The mural paintings in the chancel show to greater advantage at night, as the electric lights are arranged especially to that end. In response to an ivitation extended

by Rev. Jere Witherspoon, D. D., pastor of Grace-Street Presbyterian church, Rev. B. O. Guerrant, D. D., of Kentucky, will wist Richmond and conduct two services a day in the Grace-Street Presbyterian Church—a morning service and also a service at night.

ervice at night. He is expected to arrive in Richmond in time to begin his services on Sunday,

March 25th. Mr. C. H. Hamilton, first assistant secre-Mr. C. H. Hamilton, first assistant secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, conducted the devotional meeting of the Clay-Street Epworth League last evening. Owing to special meetings at the church, which began Wednesday evening, the league held its services at 7.30 in the infant class room. The services were interesting and helpful. Rev. L. B. Betty, pastor of Clay-Street Church, will hold special services every evening will hold special services every evening next week.

The weekly devotional meeting of the The weekly devotional meeting of the Epworth League of Park-Place Methodist Episcopal Church, held in the lecture-room at 8 o'clock last evening, was fairly well attended. A very interesting address on the regular League topic for the week was delivered by Rev. J. T. Bosman.

After the service a conference of the officers and the pastor was held.

ers and the pastor was held. A large attendance greeted Rev. W. H. Rook at Third Christian Church at 8 Nook at Third Christian Canada a Colock Thursday night. The subject of his sermon was "What is Necessary for a Revival." Yesterday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, Mr. Book-conducted a Bible reading, and at 8 o'clock preached on "The Biessings of Adoption."

MANY SUITS IN CITY COURTS.

Abram Tyler Gets Judgment for \$1,000-Other Cases.

An order was entered in the City Circuit Court yesterday by David A. Alaslie to sell some property belonging to T. N. Nuckols, under an attachment suit. In the case of C. W. Baines against B. S. Robinson, the defendant filed particular

lars in this court.

James R. Anmiger Co. against Mrs. Nel-lie Hoffman, allowed the defendant to file particulars as to the grounds of defense, The suit of G. G. Sillman against Larus

The suit of G. G. Siliman against Litrus
& Brother is now pending in this court.
A notice of motion for judgment in the
case of Lucitta M. Knox against the Old
Dominion Building and Loan Association,
which she is suing for \$500, was filed yesterday afternoon. The suit of Abram Tyler against Moore

The suit of Abram Tyler against Moore & Ford was completed in the Law and Equity Court yesterday, and the plaintiff was awarded a verdict for \$1,600.

The case of John T. Hughes, sheriff and receiver, against Joseph A. Reyno'ds, came up in the City Circuit Court yesterday. The evidence was heard, and the case continued over until to-morrow morning. The amount involved is \$1,-

Albert Guntley, alias Coleman, was be-fore Judge Witt, in the Hustings Court, yesterday, but, owing to the absence of witnesses, was continued over until April

DEDICATION OF NEW CHURCH.

Third Christian Church to be Opened

at 3:30 O'clock Sunday. dedicatory exercises at the new Christian Church, at the corner The dedicatory exercises at the new Third Christian Church, at the corner of Twenty-sixth and Marshall Streets, at 3:30 o'clock to-morrow afternoon promise to be of an interesting character, as they will mark the initial opening of the new edifice to the public. The following programme has been arranged for the occasion:

Voluntary, by the choir; Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"; Scripture reading, Rev. Mr. Minnick; prayer, Rev. Carey E. Morgan; introductory address, Hon. J. Hoge Tyler, chairman;

Rev. Carey E. Morgan; introductory adress, Hon. J. Hoge Tyler, chairman; duet, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Clowes; address, "The Benefit of the Church to Society." Rev. M. Ashby Jones; solo. Mr. Haddon S. Watkins; address, "The Enefit of the Church to the Individual," Beeut of the Church to the Individual, Rev. James E. Cook; solo, Mr. Charles H. Phillips; address, "The Obligation of Society and the Individual to the Church," Rev. R. H. Bennett; solo, Church," Rev. R. H. Bennett; solo, Captain Frank Cunningham; concluding address, Rev. W. H. Book; Hymn and

benediction.
The Building Committee consists of Rev. S. R. Maxwell, W. T. Alkinson, W. E. Spindle, C. E. Richards and W. H. Adams.

CITY OFFICIALS VISITED.

Men Invade the City Hall and Pocket Much Money.

Several parties are visiting the offices of the candidates for the spring election to get them to subscribe \$2.50 and \$5, or as much more as they may desire, for the much more as they may desire, for the privilege of having their names placed on what they say is to a "vote catcher." Their scheme is one designed to help the candidates, and they are pocketing a great deal of money by it. Two of the parties visited the City Hall yesterday and asserted to the officials that they would lose many votes if they did not have their names on the placards, and pay at once for the same.

One of the officials was persuaded out of several dollars before he discovered that it was a scheme to make money.

Bought by Richmonders.

The Seaboard Knitting Mills, with a paid up capital of \$50,000, will be located at Henderson, N. C., and will be operated under the ownership of Mr. Leon L.

Strause, of this city.

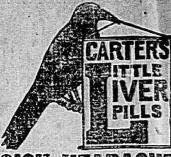
Mr. Strause has just returned Mr. Strause has just returned from Massachusetts. While north, Mr. Strause purchased outright a first-class knitting-mill. The plant will be taken to pleces and moved at once to Henderson, N. C. Here the divided machinery will be put together in one of the buildings best adapted for the mill that can be found anywhere in the South.

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